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Department of Energy
Bonneville Power Administration

memorandum

DATE: February 25, 2005

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: KEC-4

SUBJECT: Supplement Analysis for the Watershed Management Program EIS (DOE/EIS-0265/SA-204)

TO: Ron Morinaka – KEWU-4
Fish and Wildlife Project Manager

Proposed Action: Kalispel Resident Fish Project

Project No: 1995-001-00

Watershed Management Techniques or Actions Addressed Under This Supplement Analysis (See App. A of the Watershed Management Program EIS):

- 1.4 Pre-implementation evaluation of proposed enhancements
- 1.6 Install large woody debris structures

Location: Pend Oreille County, Washington

Proposed by: Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) and Kalispel Tribe of Indians.

Description of the Proposed Action: BPA proposes to fund the Kalispel Tribe's installation and maintenance of large woody debris structures as part of the resident fish habitat restoration project.

Analysis: The compliance checklist for this project was completed by Joe Maroney and Todd Anderson of the Kalispel Tribe fisheries staff, and meets the standards and guidelines for the Watershed Management Program Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and Record of Decision (ROD).

Endangered Species Act: The activities will take place completely within the stream banks and would therefore affect only bull trout. The tribe holds a US Fish and Wildlife Service Section 10 permit (TE-844478-3), which includes authorization for habitat enhancement activities. The current permit was effective as of 3/7/2003 and expires 4/25/2005. The Tribe will renew it as needed.

Cultural Resources: The tribe initiated consultation with the Washington State Historic Preservation Office on their proposed 2005 work and obtained a letter of concurrence on their no effect determination dated January 12, 2005. All subsequent work will be reviewed for effects to cultural resources and consultation completed prior to construction.

Permits: The Tribe has submitted a Joint Aquatic Resource Permit Application and will obtain all applicable permits prior to the start of construction.

Public Involvement: The project has been discussed and coordinated with the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, the USDA-Forest Service, and the US Fish and Wildlife Service. Public involvement occurred in conjunction with sub-basin planning meetings and Citizens Advisory Group meetings for the State of Washington WRIA 62 Lead Entity Program.

Findings: The project is generally consistent with the Northwest Power Planning Council's Fish and Wildlife Program, as well as BPA's Watershed Management Program EIS (DOE/EIS-0265) and ROD. This Supplement Analysis finds that: 1) implementing the proposed action will not result in any substantial changes to the Watershed Management Program that are relevant to environmental concerns; and 2) there are no significant new circumstances or information relevant to environmental concerns and bearing on the Watershed Management Program or its impacts. Therefore, no further NEPA documentation is required.

/s/ Nancy Weintraub 2-25-05

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CONCUR:

/s/ Thomas C. McKinney

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Attachments:

Checklist
SHPO letter
Section 10 permit

cc: (w/o attachments)

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